

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

Please **CANCEL** claims 1-5, 7-12, 14-17, and 19-24.

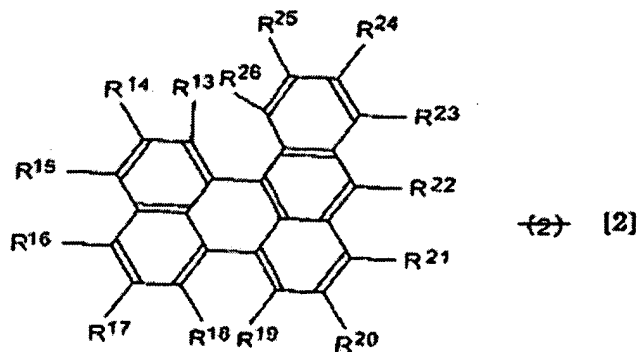
Please **AMEND** claim 18 as shown below.

The following is a complete list of all claims in this application.

**In the Claims**

1-17. (Cancelled)

18. (Currently Amended) An organic EL device comprising an anode, a cathode, and one or more organic thin-film layers including a light-emitting layer sandwiched between the anode and the cathode, at least one of the organic thin-film layers including a benzoperylene compound represented by a general formula [2] as follows:



wherein each of  $R^{13}$  to  $R^{26}$  independently represents a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, hydroxyl group, substituted or non-substituted amino group, nitro group, cyano group, substituted or non-substituted ~~{alkyl}~~alkyl group having not less than four carbon atoms, substituted or non-substituted alkenyl group, substituted or non-substituted styryl group, substituted or non-substituted cycloalkyl group, substituted or non-substituted alkoxy group, substituted or non-substituted aromatic hydrocarbon group, substituted or non-substituted aromatic heterocyclic group, substituted or non-substituted aralkyl group or substituted or non-substituted aryloxy group; and two of  $R^{13}$  to  $R^{26}$  may form a ring; and at least one of  $R^{13}$  to  $R^{26}$  is a group with steric hindrance for suppressing aggregation of molecules,

wherein the group with steric hindrance included in the general formula [2] is a ~~substituted or non-substituted alkyl group, a substituted or non-substituted cycloalkyl group, a substituted or non-substituted alkoxy group, a substituted or non-substituted aromatic heterocyclic group, a substituted or non-substituted aralkyl group, or a substituted or non-substituted aryloxy group,~~

~~wherein the group with steric hindrance is adamantyl.~~

19-24. (Cancelled)